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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/4/06

SPONSOR Robinson LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE NMHU Athletic Program SB 675

ANALYST Earp

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$100.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Higher Education Department (HED)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 675 appropriates \$100,000 from the general fund to the Board of Regents of New Mexico Highlands University to support the athletics program.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$100,000 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2007 shall revert to the general fund. These funds would augment a recurring appropriation of approximately \$1,375,000 provided in the General Appropriation Act for this purpose.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

NMHU submitted athletic program base adjustment (\$246,100) and expansion (\$186,000) requests to HED. However, these proposals were not included in the HED fiscal year 2007 funding recommendations to the Legislature.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

NMHU administers the current state funding provided for intercollegiate athletics. No significant additional impact is anticipated if this bill is enacted.

RELATIONSHIP

This bill is related to Senate Bill 601 which, among other NMHU items, appropriates \$423,500 for the athletics program.

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